

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 18 June 2019 at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present Councillor K Roughley (Chairman)
Councillor R Barton
Councillor A Bate
Councillor S Bate
Councillor A Dockerty
Councillor R Greatorex

Also in Attendance J Anderson (Clerk to the Council)

29 Prayers: The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council.

30 Apologies: None

31 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.

32 Parish Matters: (a) Cllr Barton reported the overgrown shrubbery and ivy on the bridge at Kiln Lane. Cllr Barton would forward a photograph and **the Clerk would report it to St Helens Council.**

(b) Cllr A Bate reported a car parked on the new grass verge at Windle Island. She also witnessed a car exiting Tesco onto the East Lancs Road and driving the wrong way in order to get to the Rainford slip road.

(c) Cllr Roughley reported a car exiting Tesco and approaching the lights in the outside lane towards Liverpool, then turning right from the main carriageway towards Rainford. He also reported that cars were leaving Tesco/Starbucks using the entrance further along the East Lancs Road in order to get across to the Rainford slip road.

The Clerk would report all the points raised about Windle Island junction to St Helens Council.

(d) Cllr Roughley had spoken to residents in Moss Lane who would like the hawthorn hedge replaced instead of the wooden fence that has been put up. Residents were under the impression that like for like would be replaced. Also the bench and bin that were at the front of Tesco had not been replaced. **The Clerk would report to St Helens Council.**

(e) Cllr Greatorex had not received a reply from St Helens Council regarding his email about the reduction in the grass verge at Windle Island. **Cllr Greatorex would follow this up and report back.**

(f) Cllr Dockerty reported a large pothole in Fairway close to Bleak Hill School gate. **The Clerk would report to St Helens Council.**

(g) A resident had spoken to Cllr Roughley regarding the dangers to cyclists at the new Windle Island junction. He explained there was no cycle lane across the junction therefore cyclists had to dismount and walk across the junction using the crossings but the central reservation/refuge was not wide enough for a cycle. Windle Ward Councillor Baines had been invited to the meeting to discuss the issues but he had been unable to attend. He had requested the resident contact him to discuss the issues. **The Clerk would forward Cllr Baines' contact details to the resident.**

- (h) The Clerk reported that Bleak Hill School awards assembly would be on Monday 22 July 2019 at 2.30pm. Clerk would inform the school how many Councillors would be attending.
- 33 Minutes of Meeting: The council received the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 21 May 2019 and
- 34 Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held the same date.
- Resolved the minutes of both meetings be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.**
- 35 Matters Arising: Ref 18 (c) Cllr A Bate raised the point that when St Helens Council were considering the junction protection (yellow lines) around the junction of Kiln Lane and Coronation Road next year, the hundred objections received in the past should not be taken into consideration as the junction had got busier. Councillors requested the item be placed on the agenda each month.
- 36 Planning Matters: The Clerk gave an opportunity for comment on the following:
- a) Applications:**
None
- b) Decisions:**
Bleak Hill School Single storey extension to existing school hall to west elevation and associated reconfiguration of playground area
Granted 29/5/19
- 37 Other Correspondence: (a) invoice for producing newsletter £332.40 from J Anderson
Agreed
- 38 Garden Competition: The Parish newsletters had been distributed by Councillors. Cllr A Bate had received 4 entries to the garden competition so far. Cllrs Dockerty and Greatorex would assist Cllr Bate with the judging.
- 39 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: Cllrs A Bate, S Bate and Roughley attended Ecclesfield Management Cttee meeting on Tuesday 4 June 2019. Unfortunately the Secretary had been unable to attend. The following points were discussed:
- Caretaker reported no problems
 - User groups – nothing to report
 - Councillors discussed various ways of raising funds
 - 3 new users had contacted the Secretary
 - Another meeting would be arranged to discuss these further when the Secretary would be available – possibly Tuesday 2 July 2019 at 7pm. The Clerk would arrange and confirm by email.
- 40 SLCC: Nothing to report.
- 41 Lynton Way Play Area: Nothing to report.
- 42 J Malone Garden: (a) The bench should have been replaced last week. Clerk would check with the joiner when the bench would be replaced.
(b) Cllr A Bate had planted a rose 'Loving Memory' in the garden in memory of past Parish Councillors Edna Uren and Wally Ashcroft.

43 Reports from Other Bodies: Nothing to report.

44 Finance: a) The Clerk advised that the balances at 31 May 2019 were:

Current Account	£ 7,165.63
Business Reserve Account	<u>£ 6,054.42</u>
TOTAL	£13,220.05

b) **Resolved** that the following payments be made:

PC Print – newsletter	446.00	Chq 2509
Ransons Gardening and Landscaping – 2 & 16 May	64.00	Chq 2510
Eccleston PC – room (June), phone (May) and copier lease	57.73	Chq 2511
J Anderson – June + expenses (inc Bleak Hill vouchers)	403.83	Chq 2512
HM Revenue and Customs – PAYE April-June	192.20	Chq 2513

Resolved that the following receipt(s) be noted:

HMRC – VAT 2018-19	347.15	BACS
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45 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 16 July 2019 7.00 pm Eccleston Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: